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C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 00593

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SUBJECT: POSSIBILITY OF FRG PROSECUTION OF LORENZ

KIDNAPPERS

REFS: (A) USBER 55; (B) STATE 6142; (C) USBER 43;

(D) BONN 319

1. RESPONDING TO REF (B), US BONN GROUP REP CALLED  
FRG COUNTERPART AT OPENING OF BUSINESS JANUARY 12 TO  
REITERATE POINTS ALREADY MADE IN JANUARY 7 BONN GROUP  
MEETING (REF D) AND TO STRESS THAT FULL CONSULTATION  
REQUIRED BEFORE FRG DECISION REACHED. FRG REP RESPONDED  
THAT HE WAS FOLLOWING UP ON HIS UNDERTAKING OF  
JANUARY 7 AND HIS INQUIRIES HAD GONE FORWARD.

2. AT JANUARY 13 BONN GROUP MEETING, FRG REP (LUECKING)  
REPORTED TO ALLIES: (A) PRESS REPORTS THAT DECISION  
ALREADY TAKEN FOR FEDERAL PROSECUTION IN LORENZ CASE  
WERE INCORRECT; AND (B) BASED ON REQUEST OF THREE ALLIES,  
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THE FRG JUSTICE MINISTER HAD INSTRUCTED THE FEDERAL

PROSECUTOR GENERAL (BUBACK) TO CONTACT THE JUSTICE MINISTRY BEFORE TAKING ANY DECISION IN MATTER. LUECKING ADDED THAT THE FEDERAL PROSECUTOR HAD THE MESSAGE THAT NOTHING SHOULD BE DONE WITHOUT PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH THE THREE ALLIES. HE SAID THERE WOULD BE NO FAIT ACCOMPLI.

3. ALLIED REPS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR LUECKING'S ASSURANCES. QUESTIONS POSED IN PARA 16, REF (C), AS WELL AS NEED FOR CONSIDERING HOW TO RESPOND TO SOVIET PROTESTS WERE CITED AS EXAMPLES OF ISSUES ON WHICH ALLIES WOULD WISH TO CONSULT.

4. BONN GROUP DISCUSSIONS WILL CONTINUE AS FRG PROVIDES ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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